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1. UNITED NATIONS UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL GUICCIARDI BEGAN
DISCUSSIONS ON SITUATION IN PORTUGUESE TIMOR (PT) JAN 8 WITH
PORTUGUESE FONMIN ANTUNES. GUICCIARDI ALSO PETITIONED BY GROUP
REPRESENTING FAMILIES OF PORTUGUESE MILITARY DETAINED IN PT TO
SECURE THEIR PROMPT RELEASE. GUICCIARDI COMMENTED TO PRESS THAT
WHILE MATTER OF PORTUGUESE DETAINEES NOT WITHIN SPECIFIC
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SCOPE OF HIS MISSION, HE COULD NOT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE FAIL

TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN HUMANITARIAN PROBLEM AND WOULD MAKE EVERY
EFFORT
TO OBTAIN THEIR RELEASE.

2. GUICCIARDI ALSO MET WITH MINISTER FOR COOPERATION VITOR
CRESPO AND COLONEL LEMOS PIRES, GOVERNOR OF PORTUGUESE
TIMOR. FOLLOWING THE MEETING, CRESPO EMPHASIZED TO PRESS THAT
THE PORTUGUESE SOLUTION TO THE TIMOR PROBLEM ENVISAGES THE
DEPARTURE OF THE INVADING INDONESIAN TROOPS, THEIR REPLACEMENT
BY A UN FORCE UNDER PORTUGUESE LEADERSHIP, AND A CONFERENCE OF
ALL THE INTERESTED PARTIES OF TIMOR TO DISCUSS THE SELF-
DETERMINATION OF THE TIMORESE PEOPLE.

3. GUICCIARDI HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FOLLOWING HIS FORTHCOMING
VISIT TO INDONESIA HE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN "EAST TIMOR" ON
JAN 17, REMAINING FOR SEVEN DAYS.

4. COMMENT: THE PORTUGUESE HAVE REPEATEDLY STRESSED TO US
CONCERN OVER THE FATE OF THEIR DETAINED MILITARY PERSONNEL AND
THIS MATTER WAS UNDOUBTEDLY HIGH ON THE LIST OF ITEMS DISCUSSED
DURING GUICCIARDI'S MEETINGS HERE. INTERIOR MINISTER ALMEIDA
E COSTA RAISED ISSUE AGAIN WITH EMBASSY TODAY.
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